ABSTRACT

A method of controlling transmission power in a mobile radio system in which a power control algorithm controls transmission power as a function of a transmission quality target value, wherein: a target value variation is applied varied to compensate the effects of a compressed transmission mode in which transmission is interrupted during transmission gaps and the bit rate is increased correspondingly to compensate the transmission gaps. The said target value variation includes a first component for compensating the effects of said the increase in bit rate and a second component for compensating other effects of transmission gaps. Aa corresponding anticipated variation of the transmission power is applied, and said the anticipated variation of the transmission power corresponds to an approximate value of said the target value variation obtained by a process of approximation from said the second component.